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Mary Lee Warren, a prosecutor, questioning William Kampf, a witness in Gambino trial. From left are four of the defendants, Anthony M. Senter, Anthony F. Gaggi, Paul Castellano and Peter La Froschia. Judge is Kevin T. Duffy.

Mr. LaFroschia is in prison on other charges. He was tried for the murder of Mr. Quinn and Miss Golden in 1979, but was acquitted.

Prosecutors contend that Mr. LaFroschia defected from the Quinn ring to join the ring Mr. Castellano is accused of operating. In opening statements, Mr. Mack said it was Mr. LaFroschia who "set up" Mr. Quinn and Miss Golden.

It was Mr. Kampf's testimony that provided the crucial connection between any of the defendants now on trial and Mr. Quinn. The 34-year-old witness, who said he was testifying under immunity from prosecution on car theft and other charges, said that he and Mr. LaFroschia worked together

stealing cars four nights a week.

He said they got from \$150 to \$250 per car from a variety of "chop shops" and illegal operations for the sale of stolen cars.

In connection with his thefts, Mr. Kampf said Norman Blau, "a friend of mine who's a policeman," aided him in his activities. Mr. Blau's name came up earlier as well, when a retired Nassau policeman told of meeting with him and Mr. Kampf at Mr. Blau's home in Rockville Centre after the Nassau police had search Mr. LaFroschia's home in Brooklyn.

"He did this in exchange for parts for his van," Mr. Kampf said of Mr. Blau. Inspector Robert Burke quoted Inspector John Guido of the Police Department's inspectional services Unit

yesterday as saying that "it was the first they had heard of these allegations." He said that Officer Blau, 43, an officer since 1967, was a detective assigned to the 90th Precinct in Brooklyn.

"We are looking into the matter," Inspector Burke said. Detective Blau could not be reached for comment. The desk at precinct headquarters said he was off-duty yesterday, and a woman who answered his home phone said he was not home.

Others familiar with some aspects of the case said that Detective Blau had testified at Mr. LaFroschia's 1979 trial and had described Mr. Kampf as an informer who had proven "untrustworthy."

Questioning of Mr. Kampf is to continue today.